BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 92-182-C, 92-183-C & 92-200-C - ORDER NO. 92-696

AUGUST 24, 1992

IN RE: DOCKET NO. 92-182-C

Application of MCI Telecommunications Corporation for Authority to Provide IntraLATA Telecommunications Services in the State of South Carolina.

DOCKET NO. 92-183-C
Application of Sprint Communications
Company LP for Authority to Provide
IntraLATA Facilities Based Telecommunications Services in the State
of South Carolina.

DOCKET NO. 92-200-C Application of AT&T Communications for Authority to Provide IntraLATA Telecommunications Services in South Carolina.) ORDER GRANTING) INTERVENTION) OUT OF TIME

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of a Petition to Intervene Out of Time filed on behalf of the South Carolina Telephone Coalition (SCTC) in the above referenced Dockets. The SCTC requests to intervene out of time as a formal party of record.

According to the Petition, the SCTC alleges that it was of the understanding that other intervenors were to intervene on behalf of the SCTC, but through a misunderstanding, this did not occur and only recently became apparent to the SCTC. The SCTC further alleges that it has a vital interest in the instant proceedings and should therefore be permitted to intervene in the proceeding in

order to participate fully and present testimony and other evidence, as appropriate. SCTC alleges that its participation is necessary to ensure that the Commission has a complete record in order to determine if the authority sought by the Petitioners would be in the public interest. The SCTC states that allowing it to become a party of record will not cause a delay in complying with deadlines imposed for filing testimony or in the hearing scheduled in this matter, or cause a hardship upon any party.

The Commission has considered the Petition to Intervene Out of Time filed on behalf of the SCTC and finds that good cause has been shown to allow the SCTC intervene in these proceedings. Therefore, the Commission will grant the SCTC's Petition to Intervene Out of Time. However, the Commission's granting of the intervention should not create a hardship on any party already in this proceeding and discovery requests should be made in good faith and should not be burdensome. Further, the Commission's granting of this intervention should not cause a delay in the hearing or any other filing deadline in these proceedings.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

MICE Chairman Multell

ATTEST:

Executive Director

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